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The proposed settlement of the Microsoft anti-trust lawsuit does not go nearly far enough to curb the predatory anti-trust activities of Microsoft. When ATT and Standard Oil were brought to justice for anti-trust activities, both companies were broken apart with considerable restrictions on their actions. Microsoft should be broken apart into at least 4 companies: two competing operating system companies and at least two competing application companies. The competing operating system companies should truly compete by price, reliability and features, and should not be allowed to cooperate with each other. Similarly, the application companies should compete and not be allowed to cooperate. Microsoft has many tentacles, just as Standard Oil did, and some of these other products should be broken off into other companies, e.g., the internet provider MSN, hardware products such as mice, keyboards, and joysticks, the Microsoft television internet hardware, and the consumer game hardware, XBox. Unless Microsoft is broken up into competing companies, the American consumer, and competing American companies will all be losers, and ultimately, so will all Americans.

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